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In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicants request that citation and examination of the following documents be made during the course of examination of the above-referenced application for United States Letters Patent.

AA United States Patent No. 6,213,639
AL Japanese Application 63047103
AM Austrian Patent 168037
AN German Utility Model 7609467
AO German OS 1 017 777
AU Metall, Heinrich (1990) Pages 384 and 390

EXPLANATION OF RELEVANCE

Reference AA corresponds to German OS 198 43 649, which was identified and discussed at page 1 of the present specification, together with Reference AO. A translation of Reference AO is not readily available to the Applicants, however, in addition to the aforementioned statements in the specification, an English language abstract is attached thereto.

The remaining references were cited by the German Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the counterpart German application. An English translation

of Reference AL is not readily available to the Applicants, however, an English language abstract is attached thereto. Reference AM discloses a rotating anode for an x-ray tube wherein the anode dish is held in place on the rotor by a base having clamps or claws that grip the peripheral edge of the anode dish. Reference AN discloses an anode for a rotating anode x-ray tube wherein the anode dish is mounted to the rotor by a jacket that is shrunk onto a projection at a rear of the anode dish, and that has an opposite end that fits into an annular receptacle of the rotor. Translations of References AM and AN are not readily available to the Applicants.


Reference AU provides a number of examples of machine elements suitable for use as screws or bolts or other types of connectors. An English translation of Reference AU is not readily available to the Applicants.

Copies of each of the above references together with Form 1449 are submitted herewith.

As of the date of mailing of this Information Disclosure Statement, a first Office Action on the merits has not been received in connection with this application. This Information Disclosure Statement is therefore in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b)(3), and no fee is necessary.

All claims of the application are submitted to be patentable over the teachings of the above references, taken singly or in combination. Early consideration of the application is therefore respectfully requested.

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